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1. A decision on the "APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT INCLUDING REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT INDICATED IN NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE (37 C.F.R. 1.705)(b)," filed August 24, 2004, has been made by the USPTO and a copy has been mailed to applicants on 2/23/2005.

Applicants request that the initial determination of patent term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) be corrected from three hundred forty-four (344) days to four hundred twenty-one (421) days. The application for patent term adjustment is GRANTED to the extent indicated herein. However, Applicants' request that an additional PTO delay of twenty-two (22) days be assessed is being HELD IN ABEYANCE until after the actual patent date. The Office has updated the PAIR screen to reflect that the correct Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) determination at the time the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is three hundred ninety-nine (399) days.

## Advisory Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Prema Mertz whose telephone number is (571) 272-0876. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 7:00AM to 3:30PM (Eastern time).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anthony Caputa, can be reached on (571) 272-0829.

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